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NOTICE.

DULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.-The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3 : Saturdays, 10

2. The Assets of the Bongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above Bank.

3.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,500 in any one year. 4.-Deposits may be on behalf of relations.

of trusts, &c., in addition to the depositor's own account. 5.-Persons desirous of saving sums less than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will

be credited one dollar. · 6. - Depositors in the Savings' Bank having 8100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

7 -Deposits may be forwarded from the Ports by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any values.

8.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on

their daily balances. 9. - Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

10.-Covers containing Pass-Books, Registered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business, be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in

Hongkong and China. 11.-Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book

12 .- All documents connected with the business of the Savings' Bank are exempt from stamp duty.

Chief Manager. Hongkong, April 25, 1884.

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Notices of Firms.

WING to the DISSOLUTION of the Firm of HUGHES & LEGGE, will Continue the Business of Share and GENERAL BROKER and AUCTIONBER in my

E. JONES HUGHES. Hongkong, January 1, 1885.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY OF Mr. FREDERIC DELANO HITCH in our Firm in Hongkong, China and elsewhere CEASED on the 30th June last.

RUSSELL & Co. China, 1st January, 1885.

THE PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between the Undersigned CEASES This Day by Mutual Consent, and with this Stock in all the Notice the Firm of HUGHES & LEGGE newest styles. is DISSOLVED.

WILLIAM LEGGE. E. JONES HUGHES. Hongkong, January 1, 1885. ----

NOTICE.

DEFERRING to the Notice of the DIS-SOLUTION of the Firm of HUGHES & LEGGE, I will Continue the Business of SHARE and GENERAL BROKER in my own Name from this date.

WILLIAM LEGGE. Hongkong, January 1, 1885.

HONGKONG STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

TN Accordance with Clauses 47 and 99 of the Company's Articles of Association, an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS to be held at the HONGKONS HOTEL, is hereby Convened for TUESDAY, the 13th Instant, at 3 o'Clock p.m., when a full attendance is requested.

WILLIAM LEGGE, Acting Secretary,

Hongkong, January 2, 1885. D. K. GRIFFITH & Co.

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Hongkong, September 15, 1884.

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Intimations.

NOTICE.

LL HOLDERS of NOTES of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORA-TION (Hongkong Branch), are hereby requested to present them to the Liquidarons of the Bank, when they will be given in Exchange, a certificate of the value of the Notes deposited.

HOLDERS of Nortes will be required Furnish to the LIQUIDATORS of the Bank, a schedule in duplicate, giving the date of Issue, Number and Amount of each Note Forms of Schedule may be had on appli-

cation at the OFFICE of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, Queen's Road, Hongkong. For the OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, By his Attorneys, J. MELVILLE MATSON H. HOWARD TAYLOR. Hongkong, August 2, 1884.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COM-PANY, LIMITED.

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Price, 30 Cents. Hongkong, October 3, 1883.

Notices to Consignees.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Breconshire, RICKARD, Commander, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, at Wan-chai, No. 3, behind the premises known as 'Blue Buildings,' whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY. No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 16th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, January 9, 1885. UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM HAMBURG, LONDON AND

SINGAPORE. THE Steamship Castello, Captain CHANDLER, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods

from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamer will be at once landed and stored at Consigness' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected. Optional cargo will be forwarded on to JAPAN, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-Monrow, the 10th

Instant. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 19th Inst., or they will not be recognised. RUSSELL & Co.,

Hongkong, January 9, 1885.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THES.S. Arratoon Apear having arrived I from the above Ports; Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and

Consignees are hereby informed that all

none will be entertained after the 13th DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, January 5, 1885.

Shipping.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-tions to Sell by Public Auction, on FOR SWATOW AND AMOY. The Steamship Capt. Marsden, will be despatched for the above the 12th January, 1885, at 2 p.m., at his

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

VASES, JARS, CARD DISHES, PLATES, Hongkong, January 9, 1885. BOWLS, INCENSE BURNERS, ENAMELLED WARE, GOLD and SILVER INLAID BRONZES, FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.

> Captain J. Newton, will be despatched for the Danube,

above Ports on MONDAY, the 12th Inst.; at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, January 9, 1885. BRAND 'DUC DE NORMANDIE, OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

> (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO. NEW-CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.) The Co.'s Steamship

Agents.

Hongkong, January 9, 1885. Steamshin. Zambesi

Superintendent. "P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, January 2, 1885.

LIMITED. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW The Co.'s Steamship Thales, Captain Pocock, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 13th Instant, at

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, January 9, 1885.

STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND

ADELAIDE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS. LAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW ZEALAND, NEW CALE DONIA, TASMANIA and FIJI.) The Steamship Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above

Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 14th Instant, For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.,

Agents:

Arratoon Apear,

Hongkong, January 7, 1885. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Steamship

Capt. A. B. MacTavish, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 17th Instant, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, January 5, 1885. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship Glenartney, Captain Sommess, will be despatched as above on or about the 17th Instant.

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Agents.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship Cassandra. Captain Landemann, will be despatched as above on or about the 10th January, 1885.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, January 3, 1885.

Agents. Hongkong, December 15, 1884. UNION LINE.

SIEMSSEN & Co.,

For Freight or Passage, apply to

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO. The Steamship Capt. Chandler, due on or about the 7th January next, will have immediate despatch for the Claims must be made immediately, as above Ports.

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Hongkong, December 31, 1884,

Shipping.

Steamers. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Co.'s Steamship Captain Davies, will be despatched for the above

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This Steamer has superior First-class Passenger Accommodation specially constructed to meet the requirements of tropical For Freight or Passage, apply to

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ANTHONY, Master, will have quick despatch for the above For Freight or Passage, apply to WIELER & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 8, 1885. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 100 A 1 British Ship Western Monarch,
ERICHSEN, Master, willload here
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For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 5, 1885.

have quick despatch.

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Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted until

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STEAM FOR ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON;

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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship PESHAWUR, Captain J. C. BABOT, with Hor Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, vid BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL, on TUESDAY, the 20th January, at 4 p.m. Cargo will be received on board until

10 a.m. on the day of sailing. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing. Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Tea and Gen. eral Cargo for London will be conveyed oid Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct

TION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong. The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Com-

sengers for MARSEILLES. A. MaIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 7, 1885.

• For the Hongrong & Shanghai Banking CORPORATION, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. Hongkong, April 25, 1884. TATH Reference to the above, BUSI-VV NESS will be Commenced on the LET MAP, 1884. For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORFORATION, T. JACKSON,

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

J. MELVILLE-MATSON, Manager. Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1556

NOTICE.

own Name from this date.

NOTICE.

Intimations. NOTICE.

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, December 23, 1884.

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YUEN FAT HONG, Agents.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT.)

Captain Riley, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 12th Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s will leave for the above place on MONDAY, 12th January, at 3 p.m. A. McIVER,

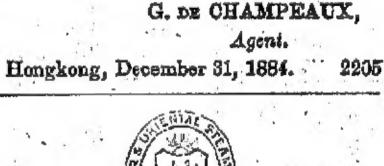
DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, SEA PORTS, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS

and UARGO, will leave this Port for the THE EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN

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Company's Office.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 12th January, 1885. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at



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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS. January 10, 1885 :-

Achilles, British steamer, 1,528, C. Anderson, Liverpool Novomber 23, and Singapore January 3. General - BUTTERFIELD &

Tunuis, French steamer, 1,261, A. Paul Yokohama January 3, Mails and General -Messageries Maritimes.

Glealyon, British steamer, 1,373, D. O. Mackinlay, London November 23, and Singapore January 3, General. - JARDINE MATHESON & Co.

Dc Bay, British steamer, 1,083, J. Loc, Shanghai January 6, Goneral, -ADAM-

Himalaya, British transport, 4,690, Capt. H. Bury Pallicer, Portsmouth November 20, Queenstown 22, Gibraltar 27, Malta December 1, Alexandria 7, Suez 10, and Singaporo January 4. Saltee, British steamer, 252, G. Wright

DEPARTURES.

Haiphong January 8, General .- A. R

January 10:-Fooksang, for Whampon, City of Rio de Janeiro, for San Francisco. Breconshire, for Yokohama.

CLEARED.

Elsa, for Haiphong. Alzoine, for Keelung. Bellong, for Swatow. Rory, for Swatow. Aja.c. for Shanghai. Danube, for Swatow. Deris, for Hoillow. Achilles, for Amoy. Hampshire, for Nagasaki.

De Bay, for Whampos,

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessols.	Captain.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Bombay, via Straits	Zambesi (s)		P. & O. S. N. Co.	January 12, at 3 p.m.
Havre, &c., via Suez Canal	Casandra (3)	Lindemann	Siemssen & Co	About January 10
London, via Suez Canal	Bilenartney (8)	Sonmers	Jardine, Matheson & Co	About January 17
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Swarow and Bangkok	Danube (s)	J. Newton.	Yuen Est Hong	Jan 12 at daylight
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PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED. Per Achilles, from Liverpool, &c., Capt Roberts, and 91 Chinese. Per Tanais, for Hongkong: from Yokohama, Messrs A. Sutliffe and Verechaguine; from Keelung, Measrs Jameson and Somer-

ville, and 6 Chinese. Per Glenlyon, from Singapore, &c., 188 Chinese. Per De Bay, from Shanghai, 1 European, and 11 Chinese. Per Himalaya, from Portsmouth, &c.

6 Military officers, 194 seamen, 10 Nava officers, 2 Military ladies, 3 children, 185 troops, 11 women and 15 children. DEPARTED. Per City of Rio de Janeiro, for Yokohama Staff Surgeon Harvey, wife, 3 children and

female servant, and 1 Chinese. For San

Francisco, Mr and Mrs Esimanti and child

To DEPART. Per Rory, for Swatow, 400 Chinese. Per Dambe, for Swatow, 150 Chinese. Per Doris, for Holhow, 110 Chinese. Per Achilles, for Amoy, 50 Chinese.

Per Empy, for Manila, 200 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The French steamer Tanais reports:

On the 9th January, spoke Hector bound Hongkong, within 16 miles of Cape Good The British steamer Glenlyon reports: From Singapore to port, had moderate mon-

soon and fine weather throughout. The British steamer De Bay reports Left Shanghai on January 6th; at 3 p.m., anchored for 11 hours off Kestoau lightvessel; strong galo and thick weather.

CARGO.

Per American ship Wandering Jow, sailed December 23rd, 1884.—To New York, 9.682 rolls Matting, 11,818 pkgs. Fire Crackers, 1,993 pkgs. Cannon Crackers, 1,385 boxes Preserves, 27 pkgs. Canes, 325 pkgs. Joss Sticks, 209 boxes Essential Oil, 50 pkgs. Gall Nuts, 50 pkgs. Soy, 15 pkgs. Cassia, 10 pkgo. Paper, 1,535 pkgs. Palm Leaf Fans, 3,058 pkgs. Amoy Tea and 129

pkgs, Morchandiso. Per British ship Honolulu, sailed Dac. 24th, 1884 :- To San Francisco, 3,535 bags Rice, 50 bags Sugar, 50 bags Beans, 40 bags Pepper, 100 boxes Cassia, 103 bales Gambier, 917 pkgs. Fire Crackers, 440 boxes Oil, 440 pkgs. Soy, 460 pkgs. Samshoo, 1,372 rolls Matting, 1,259 pkgs. Tea (unknown), and 19,336 pkgs. Merchandise. Per British barque Nanaimo, sailed Dec. 28th, 1884 :-- To Victoria, B.O., 7,287 bags Rice, 400 bags Sugar, 100 boxes Wine, 150 boxes Oil, 120 pkgs. Tea and 727 pkgs.

Per American barque Ceylon, sailed Dec. 31st, 1884 :- To Honolulu, 250 rolls Matting, 500 pkgs. Samshoo, 310 pkgs. Soy, 25 pkgs. Fire Crackers, 50 pkgs. Preserves, 487 pkgs. Tea (unknown), and 4,122 pkgs.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

For SWATOW AND BANGKOK .-Per Daniele, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 11th inst.

For SHANGHAL .-Per Ajaz, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 11th

For HAIPHONG.— Per Elsa, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 11th inst, instead of as previously notified. For HOIHOW AND PAKHOI-

Per Signal, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, th 11th inst. For KEELUNG .-Per Alwine, at D a.m., on Sunday, the 11th inst.

For SWATOW, SHANGHAI, CHIN. KIANG AND WUHU .-Per Bellona, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 17th inst.

For AMOY AND SHANGHAL .-Per Adulles, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the day. 11th inst.

For HOIHOW .-Per Doris, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the annually to Peking, and (2) the rice, notified.

For NAGASAKI. Per Hampshire, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, 11th inst. For STRAITS AND BOMBAY .-

Per Zambesi, at 2.30 p.m., on Monday the 12th inst. For SHANGHAL.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW .-Per Theles, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the ject being to provide for the mainten-For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY

SVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, &c.-Per Airlie, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 14th inst., instead of as previously notified. FOR STRAITS AND CALCUTTA .-

ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWN-

the 17th inst. For NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND YOKO HAMA.

22nd inst. MAILS by THE FRENCH PACKET,-

The French Contract Packet Yangtsé will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 13th January, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Sottlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. The usual hours will be observed in closing

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General Memoranda. TUESDAY, January 13:-

3 p.m. - Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel Claims against the Arratoon Apcar must be made on or before this date. FRIDAY, January 16 :--

this date subject to rent. SATURDAY, January 17:-Goods per Glenlyon undelivered after this date subject to rent. MONDAY, Junuary 19 :--

Claims against the Castello must be sent in to Messra Russell & Co., on or before this date.

0 p.m.-Concert at the City Hall.

THURSDAY, January 22 :---

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW

Shipping. Daylight. - Kory leaves for Swatow, &c Achilles leaves for Shanghai, &c.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES :-Union Church, -Divine Worship. A.M. - Rev. E. J. Eitel. Service in Chinese. 2 P.M.-Rev. J. Chalmers, M.A., L.L.D. SEAMEN'S SERVICES TOT' Seamen which have been hitherto held the Mission Church, Queen's Road, will be held in the future in Union Church. On Sunday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

Seamen are invited to attend. GERMAN BETHESDA CHAPEL -Service in the German language, by Rov. F. Hartmann, every Sunday, at half-past ten A.M., in the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House,

Sr. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, 9 A.M. Mass and Sermon, 5.30 P.M. Even-

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

ing Service, Benediction.

Shipping. Daylight,-Danube leaves for Swato and Bangkok. ~ Daylight.—Ajax leaves for Shanghai.
3 p.m.—Zambesi leaves for Bombay, &c 4 p.m .- Glenlyon leaves for Shanghai,

2 p.m.—Auction of Chinese and Japanese Ware at Mr J. M. Armstrong's.

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MARRIAGE. On Saturday, 27th December, at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, by the Rev.

A. Armitage, Vicar of St. John's, Cheltenham, uncle of the bride, HERBERT POATS of Hongkong, to Asry, daughter of Richard Armitago, Esq., of Hkloy, Yorkshire: The publication of this issue commenced

The China Ziliril.

at 7.20 p.m. -

HONGKONG, SATUBDAY, JANUARY 10, 1883 THE REVENUE OF CHINA. TII.

TAXES PAID IN KIND. The amount of taxation which the Chinese Government collects under the heading of Grain Tribute, or payments in produce, is not easy to estimate. The figures given in the Books are arranged

under so many different categories, and vary so much for different periods, that i is very difficult if not impossible to make out with any certainty what ought really to be collected, and it is still more difficult to make out what as matter of fact is collected at the present

under two heads: (1) the grain sent 11th inst., instead of as previously beans, straw, &c., leviable for the maintenance of the Provincial Army. In regard to the first, which we may conveniently designate by the popular though not strictly accurate phraseology of Rice Tribute, it is leviable only on certain of the Provinces. Originally it appears that eight out of the eighteen were laid under contribution for this Per Glenbyon, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, purpose, viz., Shantung, Honan, and the Provinces along the valley of the Yaugtze, including Chekiang,-the obance of the Menchu soldiery in the capital. The Hwei Tien gives the amount of this tribute for 1813 as slightly under three million piculs. One of the Governors in the time of Tao at over four millions. The average for Per Thibet, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the their rice dues for a money payment,

600,000 piculs, or say a fifth of the whole. The average amounts now sent forward by the remaining Provinces would seem to be in round numbers: Kimig-su & Anhwei by sea. 750,000 piculs India (vià Madras), the Australasian Chekiung by aca...... 400,000 Kiang-peh by canal 100,000 Shantung by canal 300,000

of knowing. On the old scale these four

provinces should furnish together about

Total,.....1,550,000 -Toking the value of the rice at The The British Contract Packet Peshawur 1.50 per picul and adding on a fifth more will be despatched on TUESDAY, the as the equivalent of the quote from the 20th January, with Mails for the United Provinces that pay in silver, we should Kingdom, Europe, and countries be- get about Taels 2,800,000 as the amount of the annual Rice Tribute to

In regard to the levy of rice &c. re-

tained for use in the Provinces the same taxes in silver at tacks \$2,000,000 puts follows that the costs of collection are this at 4,356,000 piculs. We have no three times or five times as much as the how far it has been modified of late years. There has been a general tendency, especially since the Rebellion, to com- is hard up it has only itself to thank for mute everything for money-a course it. It complains that it is impossible to dictated no doubt by reasons of general increase the income from the land tax, Goods per Breconshire undelivered after convenience. The terms of commuta- and yet it permits an army of officials tion have been a fertile source of squab- and underlings of all sorts to batten on bling between the officials and the peo- the people and extort from them sums ple, and the most diverse rates prevail. enormously in excess of what are avail-In Kiang-si the rate is 2,000 cash per able for the real purposes of government. picul, in Shantung 6,000 small cash, in Under a proper system of collection the Hunnn is is tuels 3. The general re- land tax might without putting a penny

the same reasons which induced us to strike off a third of the old assessment in endeavouring to get at a fair valuation of the actual yield of the land tax in silver, we may strike off a third of the grain levy and call the present yield of 3,000,000 piculs equivalent to taels 4,500,000. Add to this the value of the Peking Tribute as above estimat-

ed, and we get taels 7,300,000 as the

total yield of the Taxes in Kind, or say

n round numbers 7 millions and a half.

Our readers will not misunderstand

us by supposing that we mean to imply that the above figures represent what is taken out of the taxpayer's pocket. To begin with, these are the official figures used in rendering accounts to the Superior Boards in Peking. When these same figures come to be translated to the rustic they bear a very different meaning. A special case, for the facts of which we rouch, will perhaps best illustrate our meaning. The fees which a certain junk, chartered by a foreigner, was called upon to pay in passing a barrier amounted to 12,000 cash. The charterer was not interested in disputing the amount, but he wished to have a receipt as a voucher for the disbursement, and for that purpose he applied to the native office, where he was tendered a receipt for four taels. Failing to convince the officials there that four taels could not by any possibility be regarded as the equivalent of 12,000 cash when the market value of the tael was about 1,600 cash, he applied to his Cousul, claiming either a refund or a receipt for what he had actually paid. In the correspondence that ensued the chief Chinese authority explicitly doclared that though four taels was the proper charge (which indeed was easily ascertainable from the tariff) yet a tael was not a tael in the ordinary sense of the word, but was such a sum as would enable the local authorities to lay down a teel of the standard weight and purity in Peking and consequently included a meltage fee, loss on melting, freight and costs of transmission, and general office expenses, and that all that turned into cash meant, according to old established custom, 12,000 cash for tls. 4. Consequently a receipt for tls. 4, the legal sum, was the only receipt they could give. In other words, the procedure simply amounted to this that the costs of collection, as far as this particular collectorate was concerned, came to nearly 50 per cent .- that is to say, they practically collected taels 7.50, of which tls. 3.50 were the costs of collecting

This illustrates exactly what is going on all over the Empire. To every tael or picul of rice legally leviable there is added on a number of petty charges of the above nature-meltage fee, allowmuce for waste, clerks' fees, &c., &c., till the sum is doubled or more. But there is another and greater mischief, and that is the vicious plan of making every magistrate and every collector a farmer of the revenue. All district magistrates receive about the same salaries and allowances, but everybody knows there is all the difference in the world between one incumbency and another. Each district has a fixed quota which the magistrate must make up by hook or by crock, but once over that all the rest is practically his own - not to keep exactly, because if he holds a fat billet he is expected to be extra liberal in his presents to the Governor and the Governor's wife, to the Literary Chancellor, to the Provincial Judge, the Treasurer and so on-not to mention still The taxes in kind may be arranged higher dignitaries if he wishes to get on. But there is no magistracy that does not at least make up its limit of taxation and leave something over, while the great number leave a handsome surplus. To hand this over to the Imperial Exchequer is about the last thing that anyone would think of doing. It is the fund out of which mainly the fortunes of ex-viceroys and commissioners have been built up:

To look at the thing from another

point of view. Anyone who has taken

the trouble to inquire what amount of land tax is ordinarily payable by individual cultivators, will bear us out in saying that about 200 cash a mow may be taken as a fair average for good rice land. That would give say a dollar an acre. Now we can easily calculate how Kwang, a few years later, estimated it much at this rate the land tax for the. whole of China ought to be. The area the past few years seeins to be very much of the 18 provinces is roughly 1,300,000 Per Taisang, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, less than either of these sums. Four square miles, and that of the nine eastout of the eight Provinces, however, ern provinces situated on or near the viz., Honan, Kiangsi, Hupeli and Hu- great plain comprises over 500.000 nan have, since the rebellion, commuted square miles, the greater part of which is a cultivable soil of high fertility. Nothe amount of which we have no means | Blecting the poorer partions we may take half the area as being land cultivated and capable of bearing good crops -that is, 650,000 square miles, or 400,000,000 of acres. If every acre paid a dollar land tax, which it might do without pinching, we should have a gross revenue of \$400,000,000. But let us be liberal and say a third has been thrown out of cultivation by reason of rebellion, drought, famine, &c., and say that every acre pays half a tael of land tux, we should then have a land tax income of taels 138,000,000. Or even assuming, for we can afford to be extremely liberal with such large figures. that the peasant only pays 25 tael cents an acre, which we are certain is much under the mark, we have still a handsome revenue of about 70,000,000 taels. Now if our foregoing estimate, that the vield of the land taxactually accruing to the authority which places the value of the of taels, is anywhere near the mark, it

If therefore the Chinese Government suit we may presume has been that of additional taxation on the people be while the people pay more the Imperial made to yield certainly twice or three Government has not gained; and for times what it at present does.

But no one contends for any such absurdi

of an oscillating propeller invented and authorized to collect it. The theory of

ty-no one maintains that any such debt

TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR IN THE BOUDAN.

LONDON, Jan: 9th. A British force is marching upon Metammeh, near Shendy. Should there be a steamer there in readiness, direct commu nications with General Gordon may be opened up immediately.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED CANAL :- Glencarn, Feronia, and Antenor, Dec. 23; Stentor, Dec. 29.

The next FRENCH MAIL, by the M. M. Co.'s steamer Djemnah, passed Cape St. 7th inst., at 9.45 p.m., and may be expected to arrive here on or about Sunday, the 11th instant,

The S. S. Nagato Maru left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst.

WE note the arrival to-day, by the M. M. S. S. Tana's, of Mr J. W. Jameson from Keelung. Mr Jameson went to Keelung a few weeks since, with soveral assistants and boiler tubes, was completed on Wednesday last, and on the following day the Dora Tully left for Yokohama.

THE Blue funnel steamer Hector, from Shanghai to Hongkong, was spoken by the S. S. Tanais, on the 9th inst., 16 miles off the Cape of Good Hope.

The Hector had broken her main shaft, and was proceeding under sail. Having a strong, favourable wind, she was making between five and six knots an hour, and hoped to be able to reach Hongkong without assistance. We hear that the steamtug Fame left here this morning to render any assistance required.

THE Japanese have not only created a nobility, but they apparently intend to provide this bran new aristocracy with some some means for maintaining its dignity. At any rate a Yokohama paper informs us that the members are to receive special grants of public lean bonds to the amount of \$20,000 each for the maintenance of their positions and families. This may be an excellent provision for the nobles, but the whole matter seems to be a retrograde step, and a just cause of complaint for the tax-

The cook and hawker who were arrested yesterday by Police Sergt. Mann in the act of landing about a thousand taels of prepared opium from the S. S. Powan, were this morning brought up before Mr Wise at the Police Court. The opium, which was worth some \$600, was confisated, and the two worthy importers, who were doubtless acting in conjunction with some more substantial man, were sent to gaol to undergo three months' hard labour in default of paying up 'a thousand dollars between them.

This is one of the largest seizures of the drug which has occurred since the monopoly has been in the hands of the Government.

THE chartered French transport Chandernagor, with 1,000 troops of the Legion Etrangere, arrived at Singapore on the 27th December from Algiers, but had to anchor in the quarantine ground owing to some cases of sickness amongst the troops. The Straits Times says that two French soldiers deserted the same night from the Chandernagor, while she was coaling at Tanjong Pagar wharf. As the transport was getting under weigh on the morning of the 28th, and when rounding New Harbour, a soldier also jumped into the water. The guard fired a shot, hitting the man in the arm, but he succeeded in swimming ashore. Two other soldiers immediately afterwards followed the example of their wounded comrade, and the sentry fired fiveshots at them. One of the men was seen sabove water after the shots, but the other had disappeared; either he had sunk or one of the shots had hit him.

Inspector Quincey effected a very smart capture, this morning, of a Celestial who tion six dollars' worth of counterfeit coin. The Inspector was standing in the Queen's Road Central, when he saw a Chinaman coming along with a small parcel in his military officers and men, and also a hand. The moment he sighted the detective officer, the man with the parcel stopped, turned round, and entered a house which happened to be a photographic of Good Hope. studio. Smelling a rat, the Inspector followed the man into the house and overhauled his parcel, which he found to contain forty-eight 10 cent and six 20 cent pieces, all consisting of copper washed with silver. The culprit was brought before Mr. Wise this morning and sentenced to six months' hard labour.

The coins were very good imitations of St. Peter's Church,the genuine article and bore the date of 1884. It is probable they have been brought from Fatshan, where it is well known there is an establishment on a large. scale for manufacturing counterfeit coin and silver washing.

THERE are two routes across the desert, by taking either of which the British force advancing to rescut General Gordon will swoid going round the great bend of the the point where the bond commences and goes strait across to Khartoum; the other starts from Ambakol, about thirty miles the early days. At the Tichborne trial, round the bend, and goes to Mattammeh. which is on the river opposite Shendy. It America by the Caprey, bound for Me appears from to-day's telegram that Gene- bourne.

his advance. When his troops have crossed the desort and arrived at Mattammeh and lower down the river than Khartoum. . As these vessels down the river to harass the enemy at Shendy, and even so far as Berber, which is 200 miles lower down the river than Khartoum. If the British troops have started from Ambukol on a march to Shendy, as stated in the telegram, they James for this port on Wednesday, the have a desert route of about 160 miles to traverse. When the neighbourhood of Shendy is reached there will probably be some heavy fighting, as the Mahdi will no doubt do what he can to check the advance of the British force before it effects land or water.

Mn Bruce Shepherd's Hongkong Almanack the necessary plant and material, to effect for the present year, which has just been the necessary repairs to the steamer Dora | published by Messrs Kelly and Walsh, is, Tully, which was laid up at Keelung. The we observe, considerably increased in size. work, which included the fitting of new This is the second year of its publication, and the first edition consisted of 88 pages from specially prepared calendars and astronomical tables for Hongkong, and a guide for business purposes, to wages marks for this edition. Mr Bruce Shepherd says :- 'The interest taken in the previous edition of this publication has been the great inducement to the editor to endeavour to increase its usefulness by adding further subjects and information to the present edition. This additional information extends to a concise description of the Colony, its Population and Finances: the Chinese Calendar and the weights and measures used by the Chinese are also given, together with Wages and other useful Tables. The Tide Tables have been extended and the Meteorological observations recorded in the Colony have been averaged for the preceding 15 years, a work which, it is believed, has never before been undertaken. We note some errors in the business guide, owing to recent changes, but on the whole the work bears evidence of careful and even laborious compilation.

> THIS forencon H. B. M.'s troopship Himaloya, Captain Pallicer, arrived here with a number of naval and military reliefs. She left Portsmouth on the 20th November last with the navalemen, and, on the 22nd November, called in at Cork, where she embar ed contingents for the Inniskillens, at present stationed at Singapore, and the Buffs, stationed here. The disembarkation | troops, -Japan Mail of the military reliefs commenced here this afternoon; about three o'clock, the men being brought ashore in two of the Naval Yard launches, and landed at the Naval Yard jetty. After the men had received their kits, which were brought Pearson and Mr Druitt, who were not ashore in a lighter, they were drawn up in marching order, and proceeded Both players added considerably to their see the beginning of the row. to quarters provided for them in scores before being separated, the Captain the Murray Barracks, the Band of the being eventually disposed of for 75, while Regiment heading them and playing a Mr Druitt succeeded in putting together number of lively airs on the way to the the splendid score of 147 before being Barracks. Though the men are somewhat | caught out by Mr Stopford. youthful in appearance, they seem to be well developed physically, and are mostly was given out leg before wicket. . It of a fairly good stature. The following are | Plumbe played a capital game and carried | defendant and three other coolies to remove the names of the officers, and number of his bat out for 35. The Irish fielders and men who have arrived :- Major MacLear, | bowlers were pretty well tired out when Lieuts. Blackburn, Battenshaw and Parry, the last wicket of the World's team fell for and 155 non-commissioned officers and men the grand total of 363. for the 'Buffs;' Lieut. Young, and 15 privates for the older battery of Royal Artillery; non-commissioned officers and men for the Royal Engineers; Surgeon Parker and ment; and Quarter Master Sergeant Brown, Staff Clerk There were also

and ton soldiers' wives and fifteen children. The Himalaya also has on board 10 officers and 194 seamen, reliefs for H. B. was apparently about to put into circula- M's ships on the station. These will not being the most successful.

be transferred until Monday. home, with 120 time expired and invalided 209 runs number of time-expired naval officers and men. A home paper lately stated that the Himalava would return home via the Cape

SERVICES OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FOR TO MOBROW. -- IST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

8 a.m.-Parade Service, Morning Prayer and Sermon, Rev. O. Cheanntt. Sermon, The Colonial Chaplain. 5.45 p.m. - Evening Prayer and Sermon, The Colonial Chaplain.

5 p.m.-Evening Prayer and Sermon The Bishop. St. Stephen's Church (all Services in Chi-

11 a.m. - Morning Prayer, &c., Reva. J. B. Ost and Fong Yat Sau. P. eacher, The Bishop. 6.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon, Rev. J. B. Ost and Fong Yat San.

An interesting discovery has been made at New Zealand in connection with the Tichborne case. Some ammunition cases which have been stored in the magazine at Nile. The longer one of these starts from Wellington for a long time are marked Transport Usprey, for Melbourne and Sydney, dated 1854 to 1856, which shows that the vessel must have traded there in the claimant stated that when the Bella was lost he was picked up off South

ral Welseley has chosen the latter route for THE following paragraph, taken from a New York exchange, will recall to the minds of older residents a crusade against the irre-Shendy they will still be about 100 miles | gularities of certain U. S. Consular officials in China, in which this journal took part. we know, however, General Gordon has a The civil action referred to was taken number of armed steamers at his disposal, against the official bond and sureties, and and he has been in the habit of sending the ex-Consul appears to have made no

> A verdict was rendered in the United Status Court at Cincinnati Nov. 24, in favor of the United States against David H. Bailey for \$39,900, fees collected by Bailey as. Consul at Hongkong, China, and not accounted for. Bailey made no defence.

In four years, says a San Francisco paper, British Columbia has received 17,060 Chinese immigrants, and the total Chineso. population of the Province, estimated the basis' of arrivals and departures, junction with General Gordon, either by placed at 20,000. This, however, is not allowing for the numerous escapes into the United States, which must have decreased the Chinese population of British Columbin considerably. But the colony is overstocked with Chinese, and unless it gets relief from the scourge it will speedily be in the same deplorable condition as a vineyard that is badly infested with philloxera. One fourth of the business done in Victoria, the capital, is in Chinese hands.

whereas the present one contains about Compasses, rendered visible at night by 130. It is entirely a work for local re- luminous paint, are being employed in ference, the information given ranging the present Nile expedition for the first time in military operations. At the War Office this most recent application science to military uses has met with warm encouragement. The tracklessness and income tables. In his prefatory re- of the desert is well known, and it is believed the officers in charge of exploring and reconnoitring parties will derive immense assistance from these compasses, by which the indications of the needle can be ascertained in the darkest night. Experience has shown that luminous paint exposed to light during the day remains effective during the succeeding ten hours of darkness.

> THE Nichi Nichi Shimbun says :- The have been constructed, as the public are well awaro, for use in war in accordance with the requirements of the Naval Depart- route seems to be: ment. In the case of all vessels chartered by the Government in connection with the Korean trouble, orders have been given for their being provided with rails for the movement of guns, said for their equipment in other details for the work in which they -may-be-employed, but-as yet-no-gun ports have been made. Of the steamships now under the orders of the Government we beliovo the Omi Marte has already gun-slides laid down. The Omi Maru, the Yamashiro appeared on a charge of assaulting Li Chi. Maru, and, we think, others of the Union a shop keeper in the Central Market, on Company's recently built steamers, are pro- the 7th inst. According to compainant's vided with gun ports. Taking the Yama- evidence the defendant came to his shop, shire Maru as a type of the later vessels, it | No. 8 Central Market, and wanted to buy may be noticed that she is pierced for two some carrots. He picked out ten and asked guns which will be carried on the main deck | the price. Complainant said six cents, and amidships, the deck of course being special- defendant then put the carrots into a bag ly strengthened to this end. All that is and handed it to a man who was with him. necessary in her case, to receive on board, who walked away with the bag. Defendant say, a couple of 17-centimetre breech-load- | theu paid complainant three cents, which ing Krupps, is laying down the gun slides. the latter declined and defendant then and dismantling the officers' cabins, on which struck him a blow with his walking stick the ports open. These steamers could for, a short run, easily carry two thousand

CRICKET.

IRELAND TOPSHS THE WORLD. Play was resumed in this match shortly after eleven o'clock this morning, Captain out' yesterday, continuing their innings.

Stuart added 36 to the total, when he the 31st ult.

The representatives of the green commanced their second innings too late to Quarter Master Sergeant Beaver, and 9 have any hope of saving the game, but although two or three of their best men were again particularly unlucky they imthree men for the Army Medical Depart- proved upon the form of their first innings, the score standing at 134 for six wickets when stumps were drawn. To this amount

brought out by the Himalaya, Mrs Parker, Mr Hodder, not out, contributed 38. There was nothing special about the bowling on either side; Druitt, who tool four wickets for 39 runs, out of 80 balls,

The match was of course decided on the The Hunalaya will leave here shortly for first innings, the World thus winning by had any opium and he said he had not.

The Band of the Buffs, by the kind permission of the Colonel and officers of the Regiment, performed a choice selection of music during the afternoon, and there were a large number of spectators on and around the ground during the latter part of the day.

Last year the team from the 'Ould Country,' playing against the World, made a total of 322, of which Mr Rice contributed 96 11 a.m. Morning Prayer, Litany and Thorcault was, however, we believe, adrawn battle. The wearers of the green have cor tainly not been so fortunate this season. We append the scores of to-day :-

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CORRESPONDENCE.

THE P. & O. SUBSIDY. To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL." 10th Jan. 1885,

night's paper, that you have sounded a note of warning about the threatened stop- for six months' hard labour. page of the mail subsidy. The proposition is startling enough to any one who holds a stake in the Eastern trade, but it almost defence to the suit. The result is as fol- bewilders one who looks back to the time when mails here were few and telegrams did not exist. The amezing advance that has been made in our postal facilities during the last fifteen years must not be forgotten, and I do not think that you, or any one else, has given authorent prominence to this consideration. Apart altogother from the question of money-and you must bear in mind that you must always pay a good price for a good commodity--look at the acceleration of the mails, over and above their regularity. We often growl at the old P. & O., and too often there have been good grounds for complaint; but it is one of the clearest facts in the commercial history of this century that, once shaken up out of its lethargy, the P. & O. has made immense strides; she has now swept past all competitors, and she has now perhaps the finest merchant fleet that ever sailed the seas. For size and speed her vessels can defy all rivals for years to come, because the ships which new perform the 11-knot voyages, possess the power to do the same distances at 12 knots an hour, and even more than that. As an instance, most old coming up from Singapore to Hongkong in eleven or twelve days against the monsoon. steamers of five days and a half would have astonished us a little in those days. This view of the matter should, therefore, receive the fullest consideration whenever any serious change is proposed or threatened in our postal arrangements. But any proposal which would render it nossible to give up the overland transit to Brindisi ap- side Keelung. pears to me so absurd that I can hardly fancy that the Postmaster General in Loudon ever seriously suggested the notion. Assuming, however, that where there is anioke there must be some fire, the duty certainly falls upon this community to make a most unmistakoable protest against any retrograde stop being taken by the Home authorities. I have lately seen namphlet which speaks of a railway by steamships of the Kioydo Unyu Kwaisha means of which the trip from London to India would be made a six-days run. That is more in accord with the times than the abandonment of subsidies and the Brindisi

. PROGRESS

Police Intelligence: (Before H. E. Wodehmise, Esq.)

Friday, January 9.

ALLEGED ASSAULT. George Stevens, a private in the Buffs, and also with his first: He was not much burt. He called a constable and gave defendant in charge. At the police station the constable paid the six cents.

Defendant stated that he asked complainant the price of the carrots and thought he said three cents. When complainant asked for six cents, he handed the carrots back but comp ainant would not take them. George Price, another private in the Buffs, gave evidence to seeing as he was passing the market a number of Chinese setting upon the defendant. He did not No further evidence was taken, his

worship fining the defendant \$2.

ALLEGED LARCENY OF A WATCH AND CHAIN. Chin Atsai, chair coolie, was charged with stealing a watch and chain, value about 817, the property of one Edward Smith, on

Ritter Cordiero, a single woman residing in R. sario Street, said that she engaged the her furniture to another house. . The watch and chain, which belonged to her nephew, aged sixteen, was in an oratory in her room while the furniture was being removed. After the removal she missed them. Sl the articles, but one of the four coolies must have done so. The other three men could

As there was no further evidence the defendant was discharged.

AN OPIUM HAUL. Sy To Yu, of Hoi-ping, mandarin, charged with being in possession of about

permit, on the 7th inst. Acting, Police Sergeant Mann, 89, boarded some spare dollars. the steamer Hankow at 3 p.m. on the 7th. and upon searching the defendant's boxes found the 110 tack of opium in court coucealed at the bottom of the boxes. Sergeant first asked the defendant if he Defendant was fined \$150 and the opium

> (Before A. G. Wise, Esq.) Saturday, Jan. 10.

IMPORTANT SEIZURE OF OPIUM Su Aki, described as a hawker, and Lui Asum, a servant, were brought up charge with being in possession of about one thouvalid certificate on the 0th inst.

Angus Mann, A.S. 89, was on duty at the Canton wharf at 1.15 p.m. yesterday and saw the two defendants leaving the wharf. The first defendant had six of the packets of opium produced in his possession and the second defendant had a basket containing more. The sergeant followed the men, who ran into a house and were apprehended when coming out. The opinm was found in the house. Defendants told the P.S. that the opium did not belong to them. Defendants now denied carrying the opium, but were fined \$500 each, or, in default three months' hard labour : the opium was

confiscated. COUNTERFEIT COIN. Su Fat, a ricepounder, was charged with Being in possession of fifty four counterfeit coins on the 10th inst. Inspector Quincey. deposed that at 9 o'clock this morning he was in the Queen's Road, just by the Stag Hotel, when he saw the defendant coming along with a small percel in his hand When defendant caught sight of witness he turned round and went into a photographer's shop. Witness followed him and found the parcel in court, containing 48 tan cent pieces and 6 twenty cent pieces, in his hand Loung Chan, the shroff at the Police

and found them to be all counterfeit ; cop-! per washed with silver. Defendant stated that his friend gave him the coins to give to his clansman. did not know who his clansman was.

Sir, -I was glad to see, in your last witness had run away.

Affairs in Formosa.

arrived this morning from Yokohama and Keelung, we learn that the transport Cholon arrived at Keelung on Tuesday, the 6th with reinforcements for Admiral Courbet consisting of 800 men of the 'Zephyrs, These troops have been landed and quartered in the houses in the town forcements by the transport Bicuhoa are expected to arrive within a few days, and will be taken until after the arrival of these

and it is unsafe for a European to walk curable; an egg costs a dollar and a fowl from four to five. Tinned and salt meats residents will remember the experience of are procurable, but at fully double the price. The health of the troops, the last fortnight having been much dryer than for some weeks previously.

The Chinese occupy a position within a few hundred yards of the French lines out-

CRICKET AT AMOY. H. M. S. CHAMPION! Persus AMOY. A match between the above took place on Sew Your's day on the Recreation Ground, resulting in a decided victory for Amoy, by

innings and 19 runs.

The bowling and fielding of Amoy were very good, especially so the fielding of Harding; the bowling of the Champion was not equal to that of the Amoy, but their fielding was certainly better. Appended are the scores :-

	E. H. W. CHAMPION.	
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	Sub-Licut. Austruther, & Abbott	0
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	Johnson, e Harton, b Deus	1
	Lieut. Blowbray, b Abbott	
	Corp. Slavnather, b Deng	1
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	Mr Willis, cand b Tait	1
_	Lieut Ricardo, not out	-7
	Substitute, r Wray, h Alsbott	-
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21stl Intrings Sub-Lieut, Carey, run out... Private Thurman, c Harding, b Abbott. Sul-Lieut, Austruther, c R. H. Bruce, b Tait 2 A. H. Billet, o and b Tait .. Johnson, run out... Licut. Mowbray, b Harding A. R. Burbrige, not out. Mr Willis, b Harding Lieut. Ricarde, e Hurding, b Deus. Substitute, e Onslow, h Abbott Extras : Wides G, byes 1

Total 2 Innings......119 Let Innings Mr Tait T. J., b Anstruther .. Mr Harding J. R., b Mowbray. Mr Evans W., b Moubray ... Mr Bruce F. W., b Mowbray. Mr Bruce R. H., c Billett, b Mowbray Mr Laidlaw W., c and b Austruther..... Mr Deas G. P., c Mowheey, b Therman Mr Harton C. F., c Mowbray b Anstruther .. Mr Albott R. J. run out.... Rev. Mr Boufield, e Blaymather, b Mowbray Mr Wray O. C., not out.

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RATHER ROUGH ON SHIP-MASTERS.

Under the above heading, a correspondent signing himself 'a victimised Shipmaster. writes to the Straits Times, on the 31st December, as follows :-

Str.,-In September 1884, I shipped a crew at Singapore and, as usual, gave the customary advance of one month's pay. week before the advance was worked out, 4 Lascars and a Bandary deserted at Hongdid not know whether defendant had taken kong, just as I was leaving the Port for now in port at Hong Kong that has been Manila..... 30.08 77.6 7. a few days, taking with them clothing that I had to supply them with, costing \$2.50 each, man. On my return to Hongkong, I reported the desertions to the Shipping Master, thinking perhaps to have these men pay what would have been due had they stopped from shipping and brought back by arrived at home on June 30th last, or the Police. Instead of which I had to pay at that time had been sold and transferred up and look pleasant' a dollar for each man | abroad. Hospital taxes would thus be like (85) just for an official signing his name, the Greek fire—a thing that could never be so I advise shipmasters to beware of the extinguished. [The Consulthen quotes legal 110 tacks of prepared opium without a encouragement they get, and not to report authorities at greatlength to support his posidesertions at Hongkong unless they have tion.] And so, I say, that the fact of the ar-

rival of a vessel from a foreign voyage before The same fate awaits the poor nautical July 1st last created a debt for hospital dues, laborers or 'substitutes for sailors.' The and that any demand for them must humidity of air saturated with moisture being Ghauf Serang prowle round, picks up all the be predicated on the fact of such ar- 109. syces, kabuns, and such like that are out of rival. A ship arriving after June 30, was employment, places a discharge in their | no more chargeable for hospital dues under hands, and walks them to the Shipping the old law than for tonnage dues. There Office, signs them on, gets a month's advance is no distinction in principle between the for each man, out of which (unless I have right to collect tonnage dues and hospital been mis-informed) he deducts from 20 per | dues or as to the time when they accrued. cent, to 25 per cent, from each man; they The first were greatly reduced after June are then taken on board, and his trouble is 30,—the latter entirely abolished. One at an end; but not so the Master and offi- tax was no more a debt than the other cers; instead of getting sailors, they find before the vessel arrived. The collector they have only nautical laborers, and out of assessed one tax on the basis of the vessel's a crew of such men I cannot find a man to registered tonnage—the other on the numput on a ratine or pass a saizing on the ber of seamen employed since she last ship rigging. Should you have occasion to I entered a United States port. As I have sand taels of prepared opium without a engage one of these men at Hongkong, he said, the Shipping, Act of June 26th has no has to forfeit 3 days' pay (working three provise excepting the case of a vessel then days for nothing) simply for having his abroad that might return after June 30th. name out on the ship's articles.

I have often thought that the men who came payable never arose during the have signed articles have been exchanged, existence of the law, it never could arise or inferior men sent in their places. It may after it ceased to exist. The error consists be only fancy, so cannot vouch for it. Malay craws a few years ago were con- a master while on a foreign voyage to pay sidered good sailors, but I fear they have a tax on his return as being a debt attachbeen enticed away by better wages, and ing to the vessel. While my interpretation where they are out of the reach of the law relieves shipping from a burden Ghaut Serang. Could not the standard of these men ment of nothing to which it was ever

be raised by a voluntary examination in entitled. In the opinion of Chief Justice seamanship, for which a small fee might Marshall cited it is said that there be charged and a certificate granted. I is a difference between relinquishing a would willingly give an extra dollar and right which was complete when the law Documentary 4 months sight, steady employment for such men, and no under which it accrued ceazed to operate. doubt other shipmasters would gladly do and one depending on a fact afterwards to

'THE New York market is extensively supplied with foreign eggs. We thought might sail around the world for overour fathers cast off the foreign yolk for enter at every U. S. consulate on the globe good more than a hundred years ago -Boston Transcript.

An honest Hibernian, in recommending to pay for all seamen employed during the a cow, said the would give milk year after absence from the United States constituted year without having calves; because, a debt she owed all the time, then if she said he, it runs in the brade, for she came | sunk at the sea debt would survive, and the Court, had examined the 54 coins produced of a cow that never had a calf.

TRIAL OF AN OSCILLATING PROPELLER A very successful trial has been made would be due or that any one would be

patented by Mr Robert Wilcox, engineer, hospital dues being a dobt while the vessel of Molbeurne. The experiment was con- is away is based on the erroneous idea that His Worship sent the defendant to prison ducted on the cuctting leading from the that when the master deducts them from Yarra into the West Melbourne swamp, the wages of seamen he discharges abroad, and a number of professional gentlemen he thereby becomes a debtor to the Governwere present to witness it. The boat used ment for them. But if this were so, then for the occasion was 13 feet long, and drow he would be accountable for them, no By the M. M. steamer Tanais, which as many inches of water but these dimen- matter whether he ever brought his ship sions were out of the proportion to the back or not. But the case of a vessel reminature engine of k-horse power which turning home with the same crew she was employed to propel it; and coupling carried away stands on identically the same this circumstance with the fact that only footing as if she had discharged her first two 6 inch blades were called into re- crew and shipped a new one abroad. quisition, the trial, as one of speed was Then if hospital dues were a debt or scarcely complete. As it was, the boat liability of the vessel to the Government, was sent along over a distance of 760 feet why could she enter and clear at every in 3 minutes 10 seconds, in which time American consulate and stay away so long there were counted 120 strokes of the as she chose without paying it? But it vacated by the Chinese. Further rein- blades per minute. At a previous trial may be argued that section 13, Revised with the ordinary screw propeller, under Statues, which doclares that the repeal of the same conditions, it took 4 minutes 5h any statue shall not have the effect to seconds to drive the boat the same distance. release or extinguish any ponalty, forfeiture it is not thought that any decisive action Mr Wilcox's invention may be thus briefly or liability incurred under such statue, undescribed. It consists of a hollow vertical less the repealing act shall so expressly trunk, which goes through the bottom of provide,' c. - saves the right to collect hosthe vessel, differing in this respect from pital taxes. But this section obviously Keelang itself is in a very disturbed state | the screw, whose shaft works herizontally | refers to rested interests, where no act rein the stern, and underneath the vessel mains to be done by a party incurring a are blades at right angles to one another, penalty, or liabilty to make it complete through the streets alone, particularly after and issuing from the boss. The number -as according to the opinion of Chief dark. Fresh provisions are almost unpre- of these blades will of course determine Justice Marshall, even vested rights of the the speed of travelling; and whereas in the Government would be lost by a repeal without case of the screw more than one propeller some such reservation. But the point I cannot possibly be used, the invention un- make is, that the master or owner of a der notice admits of the employment of a vessel inchred no debt or liability for hospractically unlimited number of blades. pital taxes unless the vessel was either sold Always submerged they are never without abroad, or returned to the United States be-The runs now made by the English mail which for some time has been extremely a firm hold of the water, and therefore fore the law imposing the tax expired. bad, is slightly improved, the weather for never liable to injury from exposure over My contention is not that the Act of June the surface. On the inner end of the 26th released any vessel that had incurred shank is a crank disc, with which the liability for the tax before it went into bottoms of the feathering rods are connect- operation, but that it discontinued the tax. ed, the upper ond of which communicates A debt or liability cannot be said to be rewith rollers ronning over sliding paths. The leased or extinguished until it has been sliding paths shif in and out, and by this incurred. The interest of the Government means the blades are made to feather, and as | in the shospital tax was only a contingent the feathering gear moves only once at the right and could not become perfect before end of each stroke, the amount of strain the arrival of a vessel at a United States upon it is almost inappreciable. The same port. But if it had not accrued by an arrival remark applies also to the shaft which before July 1st, it could not accrue, accordthe engine oscillates, which is made to ing to the opinion of Chief Justi: Marshall depend from two friction rollers. Mr in Ponnington vs. Coxo, after the law im-Wilcox claims for his invention that by its posing it had expired. Section 13, lavised Edoption a vessel may be built of as shallow Statutes, only protects perfect right . The draft as possible, while, at the same time, Act of June 28th completely abolished the the machinery being located at the bottom | right to collect the hospital tax after June of the vessel, gives her greater stability. 30th, As to the equity of collecting hospital It should also be mentioned that in the | dues, I will add that a very large proportion case of a steamer so fitted the officer on of seamen quit in debt to their ships for the bridge may reverse or alter her course | slops and wages advanced, and the burden at will, the reversing gear being altogether of paying the tax for them falls on the independent of the other machinery. - Age. | owner.

COLONEL MOSBY ON HOSPITAL

The following is a copy of a letter which will in a measure explain itself. The leted decision of the Treasury Department. ter is dated at the United States Consulate. declaring that no hospital dues accrued after Hong Kong, Oct. 6, 1884, and is addressed to Mr. John Davis, Asssistant Secretary June 30th, but that they must still be

engaged probably until the close of this

century in collecting hospital dues, if the

practice is to continue of making vessels

or master of a vessel owed the Government

-and never pay one cent of hospital dues,

Now, if the hospital dues she would have

mester or owner would be liable to pay it,

collected from vessels arriving since then of State, Washington Referring to my No. 310, I beg to submit | up to that date-which is equivalent to saying that in such a case there is no law to some additional reasons and legal authorities in opposition to the right claimed to collect the tax, but that it must be collected. collect hospital dues up to June 30th last I shall conform to this decision, although palpably wrong, until it is reversed by the from vessels arriving in the United States courts, as I am confident it will be. after that time. I have not allowed mus-I have also received since the above was ters to charge scamen with this tax when paying them off at this consulate since Auwritten a Department Circular of July 30th. gust II, when I received a copy of the which informs consuls that the shipping shipping bill of June 26th last, although | Act of June 26th abolishes paragraph 189 I have been informed that a different con- Consular Regulations, which provides for the collection of hospital dues by consuls. struction has been put upon it by collectors. I admit that it is a hardship not to Then if a consul has no right to collect permit masters to charge the tax to their hospital dues up to June 30th from a vessel sailors, as it may be charged to them when sold abroad since then, neither has a coltheir vessels get home, but my answer has loctor the right to collect them from a vessel entering a United States port since then. been that because an unlawful exaction I have the honor to be, Sir, may be made from them in American ports Your obedient servant. is no reason for my allowing it from sea-(signed) JOHN S. MOSBY. men in foreign ports. I do not propose to set off one wrong as compensation for an-U. S. Consul. other. Besides, the owner or master who. OHINA COAST METEOROLOGICA may be compelled to pay the money may have his redress, but to the sailor it would REGISTER. be an irreparable wrong. In constraing AT 4 P.M. - JANUARY 9, the Act the policy that dictated it must be kept in view, which, as stated in the title.

was, 'to remove certain burdens on the American merchant marine.' There is nothing unusual or unreasonable in the construction that relieves a vessel arriving after June 30th last from the payment of a tax she would have had to pay had she arrived on that day. A yessel arriving in Manila. the United States on June 30th had to pay Haiphong, a tonuage tax of thirty cents, whereas if Hougkong 30,16 61,6 4 she had got in on the next day it would have been only six cents. The same thing Shanghai, 30.3442.562 has frequently happened in changes of the Nagasaki . 30.26 __ |tariff laws: goods have come in one day Wl'ostock 30.26 0.5 duty free that were subject to a high duty AT 10 A.M .- JANUARY 10. the day before. Again, many American vessels stay away a long time—there is one Bolinao - | --

I have the honor to be, Sir.

(signed)

Your obedient servant.

P. S. -I have just been shown a publish-

JOHN S. MOSBY.

U. S. Consul.

twelve years on the China coast-so that Haiphong, 30.1670.289 collectors of customs and consuls will be Hougkong 30.25 61.571 Amoy 30.1256,081 Shanghai . 30.21 35.5 90 Nagasaki 30.35 Wl'ostock 30.02 14.2 NNB 2 0 __ W. DOBEROK. Government Astronomer.

Hongkong Observatory, January 10. 1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, and to the level of the seu in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees. and tenths, Fahrenheit. 3. Hunidity, in percentage of saturation, the

4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points." 5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Bennfort

6. STATE OF WEATHER. 6 blue sky, o detached clouds, d drizzling rain, f tog, g gloomy, A hail, & lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, 7: Raix, in inches, tenths and hundredthe.

Quotations. Hongkong, January 10. OPIUM-New Patna, cash,... 6061 Old ,, cash, 570/721 New Beneres, cash,... 600 New Malwa, credit, ... 540 If the contingency on which the tax be-Allowance, Taels 32 Old Malwa, credit,... 550 Allowance, Taels 40 Persian; Oily,..... 515/25 in treating the more contingent liability of Allowance, Taels 08 Persian, Paper tied ... 610 Allowance, Taels 16 Exchange. unlawfully imposed, it deprives the Govern-

.... 30 days' sight, ... 4 months' sight, ... India, Wire, demand. happen. No one contends that the owner Shanghai, domand,... 30 days sight, private 73 anything for tonnage dues before she en- Gold Leaf 991 fine \$28,20 tered a United States port. A vessel Sovereigns, ... \$ 5.56

Temperature. Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises. Queen's Roud.) Honokone, January 10.

TREBMOMETER-9 A.M. ... 62 TP.M. ... 62 Maximum ... Do. Minimum over hight 01

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Lete. Par.

THE PIRATE'S DOOM. (Founded on Fact.) strange coincidence, to use halarase, By which such things are settled may-a-days.

of the China Sea, bound to Whampen. The and determined to sink the vesset, as it was yarn. night was dark, the atmosphere heavy and not possible to take her to port; but we When we arrived at Macao, a few days close, and leaving the Waterwitch, a brig of first drew up a statement of what we had afterwards, we heard that the Fra Diavolo some four hundred tons, in charge of the seen; and then, with the assistance of the had changed owners, and had been pur-Second Mato, the Captain and I got mata gig's crew, arranged the dead bodies side chased by a tall, red-haired man, supposed tresses on deck and lay down to have a by side in the cuddy, throwing the evident to be English, who had sailed for Manila, caulk, while waiting for the breeze. I had pirates overboard, and scuttled the vessel but had never been heard of more. -- Singanot been long asleep, when I dreamt such in two places. Then setting fire to her, we pore Free Press. me even now. The figure of a man rose gloomy, but determined on revenge. pale ly with his long hair in disorder; an feel sure he has made for Pulo Condore. seventeen didn't fetch it. enormous gash, from which the blood still He told me to steer accordingly, and said; flowed, divided his face from eye-brow to Let a good blok-out be kept; get the guns | No more fond lovers linger in the wood, chin, whilst another seemed to have cut loaded, and the small arms prepared; have (Alas, the Balmy suramer days are fled), through the ribs in the region of the heart. cartridges and shot ready at hand. The They seek anow another kind of wood, His dress was soaked in gore, and I fully blackguard is sure to light, as he knows the The kind that's split and piled up in the shed. expected him to fall dead as I looked at rope is round his neck. Have her we must, -Winnipry Shiftings. him. In fact, I seemed to be looking on a and sink her if we cannot take her. Pipe corpse whose dying agonies had already the hands aft." passed away midst all the horrors of some | Our preparations were soon made, and scene of sanguinary death. He beckened to the erew, thirty-live picked Singapore me with his right hand, and pointing over Malays, were shortly told what it was inthe sea with the fore-finger, I thought I tended to do. These men, who had already heard the words, muttered in dying accents : heard from their comrades in the gig of the 'Steer North and by East;' then shricks, frightful scene on hoard the barque, readily as if of women in distress, tilled my cars, assented. Mesmwhile, we were speeding and I woke, trembling all over, with my on our way. flesh creeping and my hair on end ! I started to my feet, and instinctively rushed forward to grapple with the apparition; but was myself roughly seized, whilst a well-known voice roared out: Who on earth are you f It was the Captain, and I noticed that he also was trembling and panting:

Now, George Barcham was, as I knew from long companionship, and in many put out by any ordinary occurrence, and it upset himself, and, as the thought flashed is it you?' said he; then, after a panse; 'I have had a dream, and a most terrible been identical, feature for feature, action for action, word for word.

flapped idly against the masts; the watch in the water astern. was asleep on deck, and the mate, forward, | was whistling listlessly for the wind; it was evident nothing had occurred to disturb any one but our two selves, who walked the deck in silence, oppressed with a feel- gone aloft, after a long look at her, deing of nervous consternation that we could not shake off. Suddenly, the Captain, looking under his hand towards the horizon. pointed to the South, and said: 'There's steer that indicated by, and he

her, in my nervous impatience, the slowest to escape us. Close hauled, she hoped to craft in creation. · A little before daylight, the Captain came on deck. 'I really can stand this no longer,' he said, 'that spectre is constantly before me, pointing in the same direction; if I close my oves, I see him; if I walk about, I feel him by my side. I am certain that we are close upon some fearful discovery. He was nervous and depressed, and worried about the sails set the course steered; the speed of the vessel and all sorts of things. Presently, the look-out shouted: 'Sail on the starboard bow.' 'Go to the fore-top,' said the Captain to me, 'and see what she is like.' was there in a twinkling, and soon made her out to be a barque, but evidently in distress, or abandoned. Her gards were trimmed anyhow; her sails flapping about, everything having been let fly, and the foretop-mast was gone. Presently, we rose the hull, and by the high paint and numerous ports, she was evidently French. She was water-logged, apparently. We were soon near her; so the gig was lowered, manuel and armed, and the Captain and I started for her. As we approached, we saw evident signs of a severe fight. There were numcrous shot holes in her side, her bulwarks were damaged in places. On her stern was her name- 'La Mouette, Bordeaux.' dashed alongside. There was profound silence, save and except the creaking of the main-boom, and the chirping of a few blocks, as the vessel rolled slowly from side to side. Seizing the rope ends han ing over, we were quickly on board. when a horrid spectacle presented itself to our view. The utmost confusion pre-The batches were open. Cargo strewed about the deck. But worse than all, there were dead bodies in every direction. The ship had evidently been attacked by a pirate, and the erew had made a resolute defence. We could not find one living person, and we counted eight Frenchmen, and seven Manilamen and Malays, all dead. There were six brass carronades, three of a side : these had been dismounted during the fight, which, from the numerous marks, must have been stubborn the decks were covered with blood. Picking our way past corpses, and over broken cases and débris of all kinds, we got to the half-poop, and went down to the cabin. There the scone which presented itself was truly awful. Three dead men laid at the foot of the ladder—one was evidently the mate, the two others Malays. . The furniture broken; mirrors and crockery smashed; ally joined in the infernal strife. Several and at the further end, amid the wreck of the table, lay extended the fearfully mana few slight wounds, which only inflamed gled body of one, whom, with a cry of their animosity, our men escaped. I'rehorror, both the Captain and I recognised as the person we had seen in our dream : the same features, the same wounds, only more horribly ghastly from their stern reality. Five more bodies were there heaped one on the other. He had not died unrevenged. The sword in his hand was covered with blood from hilt to noint and a brace of pistols, discharged, was close beside him. The side cabins were empty, but the stern one disclosed to our horrified view a still more distressing spectacle. Upon the bed lay extended the body of a female, with her throat cut from ear to ear. Poor creature! she had evidently struggled hard for honour and for life. Her right hand still grasped a lock of purplish red hair, which the Captain, with difficulty, freed from her grasp, and solemnly swore that he would not rest till he had avenged the wrong and brought the ruffians to justice. In the further corner of the room was huddled together the corpse of another woman, who had been

shot through the head, besides being stab-

bed in the breast. The villains had not

loft one single soul alive to give evidence

of their destard deeds; the vessel was a

charnel house

oppressed us, now gave way to a thirst for of the chase and fight, but never again revenge-a sense of mighty indignation did we see the wraith of the Frenchman. against the cowardly ruffians; the marder- His task was done; we had avenged foul ous, blood-thirsty scoundrels who had murder and dastard villainy, and none I was Chief Mate when the occurrence committed these atrocious crimes, these now survive to tell the tale, save the took place. We lay becalmed in the South diabolical outrages. We hold a council, old man who has been spinning this

a dream that the remembrance of it horrities | returned on board the Waterwitch, sad and suddenly before me, in all the startling | Which way had the pirate gone | What | reality that some dreams inspire. He appeared to be about thirty years of age; born resistance he had met with? The Cap- eighteen letters about that contemptible a Frenchman by the cut of his heard and tain took two or three turns up and down sum. The sure I can't tell, but if you'll a renorman by the cut to me dealy the deck; and coming up to me, said; I excuse me, sir, I guess it was because against FIRE at Current Rates.

The Manette, with her freight of dead, had sunk beneath the wave, and all evidence of her was effaced, save the lock of red han in the Captain's possession. My duties as Chief Mate, and the inspection of the scene of carnage, had kept me so fully occupied, that I had not had time, like the Captain to allow my mind to dwell upon the immediate past or presenf; but now that l times of peril on the sea, a man of iron paced the deck on my solitary watch, every nerve, and a lion's courage; not easily particular came vividly to my recollection, and, besides, a vague feeling of the struck me inuncdiately that he was terribly presence of the spectre oppressed me. That we were on the right trail across my mind, I exclaimed: 'Good felt convinced, like the Capt in, and also Heavens! Captain, have you seen it I toh, that we were fast overhauling the pirate eraft; and the crew seemed impressed with the same idea, for never had the steering one. We compared notes, our dreams had of the Wilch, and the set of her sails been more strictly studied, as she foamed through the waves with every stitch of canvas The moon was up by this time, and the stretched to the utmost, and the trail of sea lay calm beneath its beams; the sails her rudder leaving a straight line marked

' A sail right ahead,' sung out a fore-topman, and the excitement became intense. It was soon evident that we were nearing her rapidly, and the Captain, who had clared her to be a fore-and-aft Bermudian

schooner. Now, these were rare craft in those waters then; one or two were known to be the breeze coming, and I saw the arch on the Coast of China, and one-the Fm where it was lifting the clouds under the Diacolo-was strongly suspected of being Our course was East, but the Cap- | something more than a fair trader, when tain told me that he was determined to opportunity offered. But then, what should she be doing so far out of her beat ! and paused, and at last said :- The dream ; such the skipper was well known-a darkan awful vision appearing to us both at skinned Americo-Spaniard; no red bair the same time, must not be unbeeded, and about him. However, notwithstanding our I will devote three days to the unravelling | guesses and wonderings, we were rapidly of this horrid mystery. Call all hands, gaining on the craft, and it was soon appatrim the sails and steer North and by rent, even to those on deck, that there was East,' and he went below. For my part, something wrong about her. As we got glad to have something to do to discract mearer still, we could see, with the glass, my thoughts from the glastly sight that that she carried only a double-recfed mainseemed ever before me, I busied myself sail; and the clear water, which ran from with restless activity; bullied the erew, set her scappers, was convincing testimony sail upon sail, and, though the Haterwitch that the pamps were hard at work. It was was bowling along ten knots, I thought also evident that she was doing her best creep to windward of us-the strong point of sailing of those craft-but she had to deal with one of the most weatherly vessels I ever knew, and as we were sailing five feet to her three, her chance of escape. except by a miracle, was small indeed. We were not many bours before we were within three quarters of a mile of her.

both vessels tearing along under as much sail as could be pressed on them. Our lee scuppers semirted the water on om decks, as the Witch heeled over to the breeze, and at times the upper-masts bent like lishing-rods till I often thought they would go over the side, but we carried on with stern determination, all eyes watching the object of our pursuit. Suddenly, a flash showed that she had fired one of her stern guns, and the cannon ball came whizzing along, and plumped into the water close alongside, throwing up a mass of which wetted some of our sails. We replied with our forecastle gun, a thirty-two pounder, and hulled her, and now the game was carried on, and became fast and forious as we neared each other, and the deck guns came into play. She tried hard to cripple us, but beyond some holes in the sails. cutting away a few ropes, and sending a dozen or so of blocks flying about, no serious harm was done, and our hull had not been touched. Our men had, on the contrary aimed for the hull, and steadily endeavour ed to increase the leak which already existed on board the schooner, and with such saccess that her speed evidently became checked as the water increased in her. We could also see now that she was short-handed. because the pumps had to be left, in order to load and fire her guns, and taken to gain as soon as the shot had been fired. which gave us a great advantage. It was only a matter of time when she must sink but as it was getting late in the afternoon, would it not be best to make sure of the prey? The Captain thought so, and decided on boarding her. The men were soon told off in three gangs, under the Captain, Boatswain, and myself, to attack her astern, in the waist, and at the boom, as soon as we ranged up alongside. We were armed with pistols and cuttasses; the Malays would have raught but their krisses. W could now plainly see the deck of the pirate: conspicuous among the crew was a tall, athletic giant with dark red-hair. The rest of the men seemed Mandamen, Negroes and a few Malays; in number about equal to our boarding party. Small arms now

sently, by a dexterous manconvre, the Captain ranged the Witch alongside the schooner; the grappling irons were dropped, and with a howl of vengeance, we sprung on to her deck. The fight was soon over, and after a five minutes' sanguinary struggle. we stood victorious, but surrounded by the dead and dying. The Malays shewed no quarter. The pirate chief fought with the desperation of despair: he killed two of our men, when our Captain coming up, broke his right arm with a piatol shot, the same time a Malay struck his kriss into his heart, and he fell dead. I had an ugly clip on the head from one of them, as ran him through the body, and a sailor preparation promptome to furnish you with finished him as he fell. A few flesh wounds and bruises completed our doctor's

Throwing a hasty glance around him. and seeing that the schooner was sinking fast, the Captain ordered us all aboate our own ship, and to cast off with all speed. It was not a bit too soon, for in ten minutes, or less, with a beavy lurch, the pirate vessel with her dead had joined the

the ocean wave. That night, both the Captain and I slept

The sickening feeling which at first and slept soundly, after all the excitement

'HERE's your money, dolt, and now tell

Here is a Cambridge wit of the sevenicenth century, Francis Fuller, on a lefthanded writing master :-

Though Nature thee of thy right hand Right well thou writest with the hand

The American Ambassador at Vienna. Mr Kasson, has lately 'forwarded to his Government an interesting account of a remarkable surgical operation lately performed by Professor Billroth, of Vienna, which, wonderful to tell, consisted in the removal of a portion of the human stomach, involving nearly one-third of the organand, strange to say, the patient recoveredthe only auccessful operation of the kind over performed. The disease for which this operation was performed was cancer of the stomach, attended with the following symptoms :- The appetite is quite poor. There is a peculiar indescribable distress in the

stomach, a feeling that has been described

as a faint 'all gone: sensation; a sticky

sline collects about the teeth, capccially in the morning, accompanied by an unpleasant laste. Food fails to satisfy this peculiar faint sensation; but, on the contrary, it appears to aggravate the feeling. The eyes are sunken, tinged with yellow; the hands and feet become cold and sticky-a cold perspiration. The sufferers feel tired all the time, and sleep does not seem to give rest. After a time the patient becomes nervous and irritable, gloomy, his mind filled with evil forebodings. When rising suddenly from a recumbent position there is a dizzinesa, a whistling sensation, and he is obliged to grasp somothing firm to keep from falling, the howels costive, the skin dry and hot-at times-;-the-blood becoming thick and stagnaut, and does not circulate reperly. After a time the patient spits up food soon after eating sometimes in a sour and fermented condiction, sometimes sweetish to the taste. Oftentimes there is a palpitation of the heart, and the patient fears he may have heart disease. Towards the last the patient is unable to retain any food whatever, as the opening in the intestines becomes close, or nearly so Although this disease is indeed alarming, sufferers with the above-named symptoms should not feel nervous, for nine hundred and ninety-nine cases out of a thousand have no cancer, but simply dyspensia, a disease easily removed if treated in a proper manner. The safest and best remedy for the disease is Seigel's Curative-Syrup, a vegetable preparation sold by all chemists and medicine vendors throughout the world, and by the proprietors, A. J. White (Limited), 17, Farringdon road, London, E.C. This Syrup strikes at the very roundation of the disease, and drives it

November 29th, 1881. Sir,-It gives me great pleasure to inform you of the benefit I have received from Seigel's Syrup, I have been troubled for years with dyspepsia; but after a few doses of the Syrop, I found relief, and after taking two bottles of it I feel quite cured. I am, Sir yours truly, William Breut. Mr A. J. White.

St. Mary-street, Peterborough,

foot and branch, out of the system-

September 8th, 1883. Dear Sir.-I find the sale of Seigel's Syrup steadily increasings Alf who have tried it speak very highly of its medicinal rictues; one customer describes it as a 'Godsend to dyspeptic people.' I always recommend it with confidence.

Faithfully yours, (Signed) Vincent A. Wills, Chemist-dentist, Merthyr Tydvil,

To Mr A. J. White Seigel's Operating Pills are the best amily physic that has ever been discoverd. They cleanse the howels from all irritating substances, and leave them in a healthy condition. They cure costiveness.

Preston Sept. 21st, 1883. My Dear Sir,-Your, Syrnp and Pills are very popular with my customers, many saying they are the best family medicines

The other day a customer came for two bottles of Syrup and said 'Mother Seigel' had saved the life of his wife, and he add ed. Tone of these bottles I am sending fifteen miles away to a friend who is very ill. I have much faith in it.'

The sale keeps up wonderfully, in fact, one would fancy almost that the people were beginning to breakfast, dine, and supon Mother Seigel's Syrup, the demand is so constant and the satisfaction so great. I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

W. Bowker. (Signed) To A. J. White, Esq. Spanish Town, Jamaica, West Indies,

Dear Sir,—I write to inform you that I have derived great benefit from 'Seigel' Syrup.' For some years I have suffered from complaint, with its many and varied concomitant evils, so that my life was a came into play, and the larger guns occasionperpetual misery. Twelve months ago of the pirates were seen to full, but beyond was induced to try Seigel's Syrup, and although rather scoptical having tried so many reputed infullible remedies, I determined to give it at least a fair trial. In two or thrree days I felt considerably better. and now at the end of twelve months (having continued taking it) I am glad to say that I am a different being altogether. I is said of certrin pens that they come as a boon and a blessing to mon' and I have no reason to doubt the truthfulness of the statement. I can truly say, however, that Seigel's Syrup has come as a boon and a blessing to me. I have recommended it to several fellow-sufferers from this distressing complaint, and their testimony is quite in accordance with my own. Gratitued for the benefit I have derived from the excellent this unsolited testimonial.

I am, dear,Sir, · Yours ever gratefully. (Signed) Carey B. Berry. A. J. White, Esq. Baptist Missionary. Hensingham, Whitehaven, Oct. 16, 1882. Mr. A. J. White. - Dear Sir, -I was for Press. some time afflicted with piles and was advised to give Mother Seigel's Syrup a trial, which I did. I am now happy to state that Mouette and her hapless victims beneath it has restored me to complete health .-- I remain, yours respectfully. John H. Lightfoct

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